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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action of June 7, 2005.

The Applicant hereby elects the first species identified in the Office Action. It appears that the Examiner would agree that claims 1-4, 24-26 read on the first species.

The Applicant respectfully submits that, in view of the above election and remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to resolve efficiently any formal matters or to discuss any aspects of the application or of this response. Otherwise, early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully solicited.

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